At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 28, 2005 the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman Doug Mood, Commissioner Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

Commissioner Robert H. Raney left his proxy for a number of the work sessions with Commissioner Jergeson.

APPEARANCE Kate Whitney Utility Division

(253) In the matter of Qwest Communications - N2005.6.94;

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve Qwest's Tariff Transmittal 05-12 in Docket No. N2005.6.94. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(254) In the matter of CenturyTel of Montana – N2005.6.95;

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve CenturyTel's Tariff Transmittal 05-01 in Docket No. N2005.6.95. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

APPEARANCE Will Rosquist Utility Division

(255) In the matter of NorthWestern Energy, Docket No. D2005.5.84;

Commissioner Mood moved to increase NorthWestern Energy's proposed BPA Residential Exchange Credit adjustment. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(256) In the matter of T-05.28.PCN – Fort Belknap Emergency Medical Services;

Commissioner Jergeson move to approve the application of Fort Belknap Emergency Medical Services in T-05.28PCN. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(257) In the matter of T-05.27.ST - Ron Kindsfather dba Billings Trolley Co., Billings, Montana filed an application for sale and transfer of PSC No. 9378 to Kindsfather's , Inc. dba Billings Trolley Co., Billings, Montana.

Commissioner Molnar moved to approve application for sale and transfer of PSC No.9378. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(258) In the matter of TN2265 – Badlands, Inc. dba Badlands Taxi, Miles City, Montana, PSC No. 417 requests permission to continue the fuel surcharge of \$.25 per fare for an additional 90 day period, June 28, 2005, to September 26, 2005.

Commissioner Molnar moved to approve application to continue the fuel surcharge for Badlands Taxi. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(259) In the matter of the Commission's approval of Commission Minutes;

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the minutes for the week of June 13, 2005. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

APPEARANCE Gary Duncan Utility Division

(260) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2005.2.13 – Qwest, New Rochelle;

Commissioner Molnar moved to approve the TRO/USTA II Amendment as filed with the Exception of Section IIB and 1.0, which are rejected. Approve the Implementation of Batch Hot Cut/Elimination of UNE-P amendment as filed. Issue a revise Notices of Commission Action. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

APPEARANCE Martin Jacobson Legal Division

(261) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Docket No.'s D2003.4.49, D2004.4.55, and D2004.5.69 – annual gas trackers;

Commissioner Schneider moved to allow the three gas trackers, D2003.4.49, D2004.4.55, and D2004.5.69 – annual gas trackers to be consolidated. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(262) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of NWE's draft natural gas procurement rule – N2005.6.101;

Commissioner Schneider moved to adopt the rules as drafted with the changes as described. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0. Commissioner Raney did not leave a vote.

(263) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Docket No. D2004.7.99 and Docket No. D2004.12.192 – energy utility USB review, status of pending cases;

Commissioner Schneider moved to proceed with an examination of both gas USB program in the pending docket and establish a consolidation with an electric USB docket. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

(264) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of energy utility service standards - L-05-03.1-RUL (formerly L-97.06.4 RUL);

Commissioner Schneider moved to adopt the rules as drafted with the changes as described. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0. Commissioner Raney did not leave a vote.

(265) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of rule on utility implementation of rate changes – L-05.03.2-RUL (formerly L-04-.07.3-RUL);

Commissioner Molnar moved to not adopt the proposed rule. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0. Commissioner Raney did not leave a vote.

(266) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of energy utility USB review, status of pending cases – D2004.7.99, D2004.12.192;

Commissioner Schneider moved to proceed with an examination of gas USB program with NWE in the pending docket and establish a consolidation with an electric USB docket. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

APPEARANCE Al Brogan, Legal

(267) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of GRS Energy, LLC – D2005.4.50, in the matter of the complaint by GRS Energy, LLC, against NorthWestern Energy and NorthWestern Energy Development Corporation;

Commissioner Schneider moved to deny the petition for oral argument. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0. Commissioner Raney did not leave a vote.

Commissioner Molnar moved to grant NorthWestern's motion to dismiss in D2005.4.50 without prejudice to consideration of the raised issues in subsequent default supply filings. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0. Commissioner Raney did not leave a vote.

(268) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana Attorney General - Docket D2004.2.21 - in the matter of a commission investigation of electricity market activity affecting retail customers during the period 2000 through 2001;

Commissioner Molnar moved to grant the States Assistant Attorney General's Motion to Compel of NorthWestern Energy's control room tapes in Docket D2004.2.21. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 5 to 0.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Judy Scheier Assistant Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman Doug Mood, Commissioner Robert H. Raney, Commissioner Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division Robin McHugh, Administrator - Legal Division

(269) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Competitive Response Tariffs - Docket No. D2004.8.135 – Discuss and act on the proposed tariffs:

Commissioner Schneider moved to close the work session to consider proprietary information. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Schneider moved to direct staff to prepare a draft order to incorporate the recommendations in the Staff Memo of June 27, 2005, to remove DS1 as a service eligible for the Competitive Response Programs, and to include language which would prevent "pan-caking" of the Competitive Response Programs. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Raney moved that the current promotional offering of the competitive response program approved in Docket No. N2005.3.25 will remain in effect until it is superseded by approved compliance tariffs submitted in accordance with the Commission's final order in this docket. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Judy Scheier Assistant Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Friday, June 30, 2005 the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman Doug Mood, Commissioner Robert H. Raney, Commissioner Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Administrator - Legal Division Kate Whitney, Mike Lee, Gary Duncan - Utility Division

(270) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Qwest/Covad – D2004.6.89 – the Federal Court opinion on PSC Decision to require that a Qwest/Covad commercial Line Sharing Agreement must be filed for approval with the PSC pursuant to section 252 of the federal telecom act;

Commissioner Schneider moved that the Montana PSC not appeal the District Court's decision. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.								
	GREG JERGESON, Chairman							
	BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman							
	DOUG MOOD, Commissioner							
	ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner							

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Judy Scheier Assistant Commission Secretary

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